HOUSE BILL 2604

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 70, Chapter 4, Part 1, relative to the eradication of wild-appearing swine in Morgan County.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 70, Chapter 4, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

70-4-135.

- (a) As used in this section, "wild-appearing swine" has the same meaning as defined in § 70-4-133.
- (b) Notwithstanding any rule or proclamation to the contrary, private property owners in Morgan County may eradicate wild-appearing swine located on their property year-round by any means necessary, except as prohibited in subsection (c).
- (c) Private property owners in Morgan County shall not use dogs in the eradication of wild-appearing swine on their property during seasons designated for deer hunting pursuant to § 70-4-107.
- (d) Persons who eradicate wild-appearing swine pursuant to this section shall keep accurate records of the total number of wild-appearing swine killed in the county and shall report the information to the agency on a form provided by the agency within one (1) month of the eradication date.
- SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016, the public welfare requiring it.